

REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the subject application. The Final Office Action dated September 24, 2003 (Paper No. 8) and the Advisory Action dated January 30, 2004 have been received and contents carefully reviewed.

By this Amendment, Applicants amend claims 1, 11, 16 and 30. Accordingly, claims 1, 3-6, 8-19 and 22-51 are currently pending in the present application. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 3-6, 8-19 and 22-51 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yokoyama et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,507,379); rejected claims 1, 3-6, 8-19 and 22-51 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Okibayashi et al. in view of Yokoyama et al. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

Claim 1 is allowable over the cited reference in that claim 1 recites a combination of elements including, for example, “a light emitting layer formed on an outer surface of the first substrate, wherein the light emitting layer is in direct contact with the first substrate...wherein the first and second substrates perform an additional function of polarization.” None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least these features of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 1 and claims 3-4, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Claim 5 is allowable over the cited reference in that claim 5 recites a combination of elements including, for example, “an organic light emitting element formed by interposing a first insulating layer on an outer surface of the first substrate... wherein the first and second substrates perform an additional function of polarization.” None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least these features of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 5 and claims 6 and 8-10, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Claim 11 is allowable over the cited reference in that claim 11 recites a combination of elements including, for example, “forming a light emitting layer on an outer surface of a first substrate, wherein the light emitting layer is in direct contact with the first substrate... wherein the first and second substrates perform an additional function of polarization.” None of the cited

references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least these features of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 11 and claims 12-15, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Claim 16 is allowable over the cited reference in that claim 16 recites a combination of elements including, for example, “forming a light emitting layer on an outer surface of the first substrate, wherein the light emitting layer is in direct contact with the first substrate... wherein the first and second substrates perform an additional function of polarization.” None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least these features of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 16 and claims 17-19, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Claim 22 is allowable over the cited reference in that claim 22 recites a combination of elements including, for example, “a first substrate having a surface and an outer surface and a light emitting structure fabricated on the outer surface thereof... wherein the first and second substrates perform an additional function of polarization.” None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least these features of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 22 and claims 23-29, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Claim 30 is allowable over the cited reference in that claim 30 recites a combination of elements including, for example, “forming a light emitting structure on an outer surface of a first substrate, wherein the light emitting layer is in direct contact with the first substrate... wherein the first and second substrates perform an additional function of polarization.” None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least these features of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 30 and claims 31-37, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Claims 38-43 are allowable over the cited references in that claims 38-43 recite a combination of elements including, for example, “a light emitting structure formed on an outer surface of a first substrate, the light emitting structure including a first electrode over the outer surface of the first substrate, wherein the first substrate is in direct contact with the light emitting structure.” None of the cited references teaches or suggests at least this feature of the present invention.

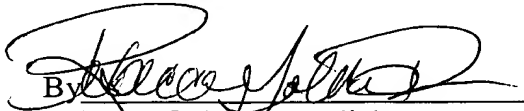
Claim 44 is allowable over the cited reference in that claim 44 recites a combination of elements including, for example, "forming a light emitting structure on an outer surface of a first substrate, wherein forming the light emitting structure includes forming a first electrode over the outer surface of the first substrate, forming an organic layer on the first electrode, forming a second electrode on the organic layer, forming a thin film transistor (TFT) array including thin film transistors and a pixel electrode on a surface of the first substrate; and providing a liquid crystal layer between the first substrate and a second substrate." None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least these features of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 44 and claims 45-51, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Applicants believe the foregoing response place the application in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner deems that a telephone conference would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number (202) 496 - 7500. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911.

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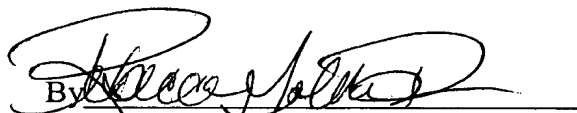
Claim 44 is allowable over the cited reference in that claim 44 recites a combination of elements including, for example, "forming a light emitting structure on an outer surface of a first substrate, wherein forming the light emitting structure includes forming a first electrode over the outer surface of the first substrate, forming an organic layer on the first electrode, forming a second electrode on the organic layer, forming a thin film transistor (TFT) array including thin film transistors and a pixel electrode on a surface of the first substrate; and providing a liquid crystal layer between the first substrate and a second substrate." None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least these features of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 44 and claims 45-51, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

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